

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF NURSING HOME WEEK

HON. ROBIN HAYES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2000

Mr. HAYES. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize National Nursing Home Week and pay tribute to the health care professionals who work in nursing homes across the country. The average life span of Americans has extended over 10 years in the past century due to advancements in health care and our increased knowledge of our own well being. With more Americans living longer, our society is having to meet the needs of caring for our older citizens.

Thousands of hardworking men and women are looking for affordable, quality health care for their older friends and relatives who need additional medical attention. Nursing homes provide stable and caring environments for seniors to receive the medical attention they may need, while maintaining a community feel.

The unsung heroes of this profession are the people that work in nursing homes. These tireless dedicated professionals and volunteers form a network of caring support in our Nation's vast health care system and deserve special recognition. There is one specific nursing home in my district in North Carolina, Five Oaks Nursing Home in Concord, whose nursing staff is exceptional in their care for Five Oaks residents.

We in Congress need to fundamentally change the way health care for senior citizens is administered. Medicare, as it is structured now, will not support the millions of baby boomers who will be in need of nursing home services in the 21st century. I will continue who work for a Medicare system that will support our health care providers and will not compromise the quality of care for our seniors.

I'd like to voice my appreciation for the nursing home care givers in North Carolina and across the nation for their continued efforts to improve the quality of life for all Americans.

HONORING THE GLENSIDE FIRE COMPANY ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOSEPH M. HOFFEL

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2000

Mr. HOFFEL. Mr. Speaker, today I congratulate the Glenside Fire Company on its 100th anniversary. The town of Glenside was founded in 1888 when Philadelphians sought residential summer homes in the newly developing suburbs of Montgomery County.

Glenside was a small town of fewer than 200 inhabitants 100 years ago, but with the advent of the railroad the town began to flourish. In February 1900, W.T.B. Roberts,

George D. Heist, and Frederick Smith led an initiative to create a local volunteer fire department. By March the fire company was officially founded. On May 17, 1900, the county officially granted the Glenside Fire Company a charter.

The Fire Company progressed quickly. In June 1900, the company's first foreman and assistant foreman were elected. The firefighters bought a wagon with a hose and constructed a fire alarm by striking the rim of a steam locomotive with a sledgehammer.

The Glenside Fire Company set up a temporary location near Mount Carmel Avenue and Easton Road. It was in 1901 the Weldon Hotel caught on fire and the company made its first official response. By 1907, the company established a permanent location about 100 feet away from its present location.

In the past 100 years, many dedicated people have volunteered at the Glenside Fire Company. I am proud to have such an extraordinary Fire Company in my district. This anniversary should serve as a long-standing tribute to hard work and dedication for all who have made the Glenside Fire Company the wonderful organization it is.

CELEBRATING THE 83RD BIRTHDAY OF YOLANDA INGRAM

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2000

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I commend the following article to my colleagues:

Whereas, Yolanda Ingram was born May 15, 1917 to Giovanni and Giovanna Marie Caiazza.

Whereas, Irene married William Ingram and spent fifty-one years working for Bank One. In addition, Yolanda has spent a lifetime in dedication to her family and her community.

Whereas, I ask that my colleagues join me in wishing Yolanda a wonderful 83rd birthday. I am proud to call her a constituent and a friend.

HONORING OFFICER STEVEN LEVY

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2000

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, today I honor the memory of fallen officer Corporal Steven Levy, 35, of the Washington Township Police Department, State of New Jersey, for his invaluable service to law enforcement and to the citizens of our nation. Officer Levy was killed in the line of duty that fatal day on October 21, 1999. This tragic incident which took Corporal Levy's life, resulted in leaving behind his loving wife, Mrs. Janeen Levy and his two small children, Kevin and Jessica.

Corporal Levy's tireless efforts to make a positive difference throughout our community is evident throughout his entire law enforcement career and life. The First Congressional District of New Jersey, the Law Enforcement Community and the citizens of our nation pay tribute to Corporal Steven Levy for his ultimate sacrifice in safeguarding others from harm and death.

On October 21, 1999, Corporal Levy was fatally wounded during a domestic standoff in Woodbury, NJ, while he served as a Washington Township Police Officer dedicated to the official duties instilled upon him by his responsibilities as a prestigious member on the Gloucester County Critical Incident Team.

During his distinguished law enforcement career, Corporal Levy was awarded numerous awards which recognized him for his standard of excellence and extraordinary accomplishments. Over the years, he was awarded six official accommodations and 16 official letters of recognition. In 1995, Corporal Levy helped rescue two young girls who fell through thin ice on a lake, and a man who fell in the water trying to retrieve the girls. To recognize Corporal Levy for his achievements and constant efforts to help others in need, the Gloucester County Police Awards Committee presented Corporal Levy with Lifesaving Awards in 1995 and 1996 and the Distinguished Service Award in 1996 and 1998.

Corporal Steven Levy's determination and courage serves as an inspiration to law enforcement officers and to the citizens of the United States of America. Corporal Levy shall be recognized by the First Congressional District of New Jersey and by the 106th Congress, as we forever remember his ultimate sacrifice—the sacrifice of his life to safeguard the lives of others. I stand along with my fellow citizens as a grateful nation to honor and recognize the life of Corporal Steven Levy.

HONORING THE TORRANCE ROTARY CLUB

HON. STEVEN T. KUYKENDALL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2000

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize an important organization within my district, the Torrance Rotary Club. The Torrance Rotary is currently celebrating its 75th year as a valuable member of the community.

For the last 75 years, the Torrance Rotary has provided generous support to various programs throughout the community. Its members are community and professional leaders who have been active in promoting the betterment of the local region. The Torrance Rotary was established in 1924 and currently has over 60 members.

The club's objectives include the development of fellowship and understanding among the business and professional leaders in Torrance. They are also active in promoting public service as well as high standards in business and professional practices. The members

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